

# Excel Education Centers Cottonwood, LLC

Tom Horne, Superintendent of Public Instruction

# ARIZONA SCHOOL REPORT CARD ACADEMIC YEAR 2005-06

1229 E. Cherry Street, Cottonwood, AZ 86326

AZ LEARNS1

High School Achievement Profile (a)

2004-05 Performing

2003-04 Performing

2002-03 Small School

(a) For additional information, please refer to Achievement Profiles Page near end of document. Excel Education Centers Cottonwood, LLC
Arizona's report cards have been revised to include requirements in the federal No Child Left

**School Overview** 

Behind Act, such as Adequate Yearly Progress and the disaggregation of student level data

Principal/Administrator: Mrs. Sharon Ackerman Schedule: 08:00 AM to 05:00 PM

Grades: 9-12 2005 Enrollment: 89

into required subgroups.

Web Address: www.exceleducationcenters.org

Phone Number: (928) 634-2065 Fax Number: (928) 639-2952

E-mail: directorcw@exceleducationcenters.org

#### Mission

We enable every student to become a productive member of the community and of the global, technology-rich society through individualized teaching of academics, work-readiness skills and creative expression.

#### No Child Left Behind

Adequate Yearly Progress (b)

2004-05 Not Met

2003-04 Met

2002-03 Met

School Improvement Status (b)

2004-05 N/A

2003-04 N/A

2002-03 N/A

(b) For additional information, please refer to the AYP page in this report card.

# School / Academic Goals

- Ü To continue to improve academic success and graduation rates.
- Ü To implement additional applied and experiential courses to facilitate each student's transition to college or the work force.
- Ü To enhance learning through an academic curriculum infused with the arts.
- Ü To expand student access to coursework through online learning opportunities.

# **Enrollment**

October 1, 2004 School Year Student Enrollment: 64

Accepting New Students in 2005-06 Under Open Enrollment Law : Yes Number of Students Attending Under Open Enrollment in 2004-05 : 154

# Excel Education Centers Cottonwood, LLC

# Ü Career and Computer Technology Emphasis Ü Art Integrated Curriculum Ü Project-based English and Math Courses Ü Excel Everywhere Distance Learning Ü Service Learning Ü Independent Studies Ü On-site Special Education

# Calendar Information

Instructional Programs

Number of Instruction Days: 145

Average Daily Instruction Time: 5 hours 0 minutes

First Day of School: 8/15/2005 Last Day of School: 6/7/2006

# **Shared Responsibilities**

## School

Excel is dedicated to providing a safe and positive learning environment. We provide clear behavioral expectations and focus on mutual respect between staff and students. Excel provides standards aligned project-based and computer-assisted learning.

# **Parents**

Excel expects our parents to encourage and nurture their students' educational, physical and emotional growth. Parents are a vital part of Excel. They participate in Site Councils, extracurricular activities, fund raising and volunteer projects.

#### Transportation Policy

Transportation to and from school is the responsibility of the student and/or parent.

School Honors	
Awards or Special Recognition Received By the School	I, Staff or Students
Award/Honor	Year
Ü North Central Association Accreditation	2005
Ü Academic Excellence Presidential Awards	2005
Ü University Scholarship Award	2005

# Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) Results 2004-05 3

# 10th Grade

Mathematics	#	<sup>‡</sup> Teste	ed	%	Test	ed		MSS		%	6 FFB			% A		9	6 Met		% Ex	kceed	led
ati.o.i.iatioo	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ
All Students	17	17	69846	71	71	100	653	653	699	100	100	21	0	0	11	0	0	49	0	0	18
All Students (Prior Year)	22	22	65934	100	100	100	464	464	492	86	86	43	5	5	18	9	9	24	0	0	15
Female	NC	NC	34328	NC	NC	99	NC	NC	702	NC	NC	19	NC	NC	12	NC	NC	51	NC	NC	18
Male	NC	NC	35509	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	696	NC	NC	23	NC	NC	11	NC	NC	48	NC	NC	18
African American			3535			100			677			31			15			46			8
Hispanic	NC	NC	23363	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	680	NC	NC	32	NC	NC	16	NC	NC	45	NC	NC	7
Asian/Pacific Islander			1742			99			733			8			7			46			38
American Indian/Alaskan Native			4785			100			671			39			17			39			5
White	12	12	36421	60	60	99	653	653	714	100	100	12	0	0	8	0	0	54	0	0	26
Students with Disabilities	NC	NC	7690	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	593	NC	NC	64	NC	NC	14	NC	NC	21	NC	NC	2
Students without Disabilities	14	14	62220	70	70	99	652	652	712	100	100	16	0	0	11	0	0	53	0	0	20
Limited English Proficient Students			5834			100			612			46			20			31			3
Migrant Students			117			NA			677			44			18			35			3
Economically Disadvantaged	NC	NC	21421	NC	NC	92	NC	NC	686	NC	NC	35	NC	NC	15	NC	NC	43	NC	NC	7
Non-Economically Disadvantaged	NC	NC	48489	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	704	NC	NC	15	NC	NC	10	NC	NC	52	NC	NC	23

Reading	#	Teste	ed	%	Teste	ed		MSS		9	6 FFB			% A		%	6 Met		% E:	xcee	ded
3	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ
All Students	21	21	71311	70	72	100	673	673	694	15	15	7	31	31	21	54	54	63	0	0	9
All Students (Prior Year)	21	21	68162	100	100	100	500	500	509	14	14	18	38	38	24	43	43	51	5	5	8
Female	11	11	34899	69	73	100	679	679	700	17	17	5	33	33	19	50	50	66	0	0	10
Male	10	10	36430	71	71	100	668	668	688	14	14	9	29	29	22	57	57	61	0	0	8
African American			3573			100			676			9			26			60			4
Hispanic	NC	NC	24056	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	672	NC	NC	13	NC	NC	31	NC	NC	53	NC	NC	3
Asian/Pacific Islander			1731			98			717			3			13			68			16
American Indian/Alaskan Native			5110			100			661			14			38			46			2
White	17	17	36841	63	65	99	674	674	713	17	17	3	25	25	12	58	58	72	0	0	13
Students with Disabilities	NC	NC	8021	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	590	NC	NC	27	NC	NC	42	NC	NC	29	NC	NC	1
Students without Disabilities	17	17	63379	65	68	100	675	675	707	20	20	5	20	20	18	60	60	68	0	0	10
Limited English Proficient Students			6402			100			596			25			44			30			1
Migrant Students	NC	NC	548	NC	NC	NA	NC	NC	659	NC	NC	26	NC	NC	36	NC	NC	38	NC	NC	0
Economically Disadvantaged	NC	NC	22243	NC	NC	93	NC	NC	677	NC	NC	14	NC	NC	32	NC	NC	51	NC	NC	3
Non-Economically Disadvantaged	15	15	49157	68	71	100	672	672	702	17	17	4	33	33	16	50	50	69	0	0	11

Writing	#	# Teste	ed	%	Teste	ed		MSS		Ç	% FFB	3		% A		9,	% Me	t	% E	xcee	ded
······································	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ	S	D	ΑZ
All Students	23	23	70868	77	79	100	666	666	688	8	8	5	58	58	23	33	33	63	0	0	9
All Students (Prior Year)	21	21	67629	100	100	100	500	500	524	33	33	22	19	19	16	48	48	59	0	0	3
Female	12	12	34710	75	80	99	692	692	697	0	0	3	40	40	19	60	60	66	0	0	12
Male	11	11	36176	79	79	100	647	647	678	14	14	7	71	71	27	14	14	59	0	0	7
African American			3557			99			675			7			25			62			6
Hispanic	NC	NC	23868	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	670	NC	NC	9	NC	NC	33	NC	NC	55	NC	NC	4
Asian/Pacific Islander			1732			98			713			2			12			64			22
American Indian/Alaskan Native			5001			100			661			9			41			48			2
White	19	19	36710	70	73	99	673	673	702	0	0	2	64	64	15	36	36	69	0	0	13
Students with Disabilities	NC	NC	7900	NC	NC	100	NC	NC	580	NC	NC	22	NC	NC	49	NC	NC	28	NC	NC	1
Students without Disabilities	19	19	63054	73	76	99	679	679	701	0	0	3	56	56	20	44	44	67	0	0	10
Limited English Proficient Students			6308			100			591			19			47			33			1
Migrant Students	NC	NC	540	NC	NC	NA	NC	NC	658	NC	NC	16	NC	NC	42	NC	NC	41	NC	NC	1
Economically Disadvantaged	NC	NC	21994	NC	NC	92	NC	NC	673	NC	NC	10	NC	NC	36	NC	NC	52	NC	NC	3
Non-Economically Disadvantaged	17	17	48960	77	81	100	665	665	694	9	9	3	55	55	18	36	36	67	Ō	0	12

NC = Not Calculated (less than 10 students) Dashes (--) = No Data Available NA = Not Applicable S = School D = District

# Recent Trends in Student Proficiency on the State Standards (AIMS Test)

# 10th Grade Proficiency



The graph includes the percentage of students that met or exceeded the standards. NC = Not Calculated. Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), no individually identifiable references to students may be made. Therefore, items of data containing information about fewer than ten (10) students have been replaced with NC.

## ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP) FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2004-05

The table below shows the schools that met or did not meet based on federal AYP requirements. To meet AYP for the year, all applicable goals must be met.

	Met Percent Tested?	N
	Met Test Objectives?	Υ
AYP Determination	Met Attendance Rate?	Not Evaluated
	Met Graduation Rate?	Υ
	Made AYP?	No

#### Glossary:

#### Adequate Yearly Progress

A measure of school performance as mandated by the federal government in the No Child Left Behind. AYP holds schools accountable for the performance of subgroups, as well as all students. AYP measures school toward the goal of having 100 percent of all students proficient in state standards for reading and math by 2013-14.

#### Met Percent Tested:

The school or district tested at least ninety-five percent (95%) of its students enrolled at the time of the test administration. Schools and districts must test at least 95 percent of their student in order to make AYP.

# Met Test Objectives:

The percentage of students in the school or district that demonstrate proficiency in state standards by passing the AIMS test meets or exceeds the goal for that year. No Child Left Behind requires that Arizona set goals, called Annual Measurable Objectives, for the percentage of students passing AIMS for all public schools and districts in the state. The goals increase over time toward 100 percent passing by 2014. To meet the test objectives, every subgroup in the school must meet the Annual Measurable Objective.

## Met Attendance Rate:

The school or district had an attendance rate of at least 90 percent over the first 100 days of the academic year. Schools and districts not serving high school students must have an attendance rate of 90 percent, or show a one-percentage-point improvement over the previous year, in order to make AYP.

#### Met Graduation Rate:

The school or district had a four-year graduation rate of 71 percent or greater. School or districts granting a high school diploma must have a graduation rate of 71 percent, or show a one-percentage-point improvement over the previous year, in order to make AYP.

For More Information on AYP, visit our website at www.ade.az.gov/azlearns and go to NCLB link

#### **Achievement Test Results**

## Stanford 9 and TerraNova/AIMS DPA

		2002-2003 (SAT9)					2003-20	04 (SAT	9)	2004-2005 (TerraNova)					
Grade	Content Area	%	Score	D	AZ	%	Score	D	AZ	%	Score	D	ΑZ		
	Reading	100	29	29	41	94	30	NA	42	83	9	9	51		
9	Language	100	27	27	42	94	24	24	42	83	8	8	50		
	Mathematics	100	45	45	60	94	37	37	63	83	24	24	50		

Starting in Spring 2004-05, students were tested using AIMS DPA and TerraNova. AIMS DPA is a statewide assessment that is both standards-based, measuring student's knowledge against the Arizona Academic Standards, and norm-referenced, comparing student knowledge against students nationwide. TerraNova was administered to all students in grades 2 and 9. It is important to note the TerraNova/AIMS DPA and Stanford 9 test results are not comparable. For more information on the TerraNova and AIMS DPA, see our website at www.ade.az.gov/standards/

The Stanford 9 is a standardized, norm-referenced test. Since 1999, all students in grades 2 through 9 have been tested in Reading, Mathematics and Language. The percentage (%) of eligible students tested and the school's percentile ranks are listed above. State average percentile ranks for Arizona and District are provided for comparison. Note that the average percentile ranks for the nation are 50 for all content areas in all grades. Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), no individually identifiable references to students may be made. Therefore, items of data containing information about fewer than ten students have been replaced with NC (not calculated) to protect student privacy. Some columns contain dashes (- -) to indicate "no data available."

Excel Education Centers Cotto	nwood, LLC			
	School	Site Council		
Council Composition			Council D	uties
1 School Administrator(s)		ü So	chool Planning and Goa	al Setting
1 Non-certified Employee	÷(s)	ü E	tracurricular Activitie	S
1 Teacher(s)		Ü Pa	arent/Educator Relation	ons
5 Parent(s)			chool Improvement Str	ategies
1 Community Member(s)		ü So	chool Safety Issues	
1 Student(s)				
	taffing Information			
Position	Number		sition	Number
Administrator	1.00		acher	3.00
Other Professional Staff	.00		acher Aide	1.00
	of Teaching Experi			Othern
Experience	Bachelor's	Master's	Doctorate	Other
3 or fewer years	1	0	0	0
4 to 6 years 7 to 9 years	0	1 0	0	0
10 or more years	0	0	0	0
Н	lighly Qualified (NC	CLB) School Y	ear 2004-05	
ore academic classes taught by Highly Qu	ualified (NCLB) teach	ers.	10	
eachers with Emergency Certificaton.			0	
ercent of teachers in the school with Eme	ergency/Provisional C	Certification	0%	
ercent of core classes not taught by High	tly Qualified Teacher	·S	10%	
	D	Table at Cab	1.634-	
	Resources Ava	al Facilities	ooi site	
Ü Computer Lab in Each Classroom	specia		dia I-MAC Arts Lab	
Accelerated Reader Library		G Martinio	ara i wino ni ta Lab	
A receivated reduct Library				
ü Student Government	Extracurri	icular Activiti	es	
	te			
Ü Campus-wide Service Learning Projec				
Ü Academic and Arts Enrichment Field T	Tips			
	Socia	al Services		
Ü Service Learning				
Ü Crisis Intervention				
Ü Campus Awareness Project for Excel				
Ü Counseling Services				

## Indicators of Success Based on Historical Data from 2004-05

# School Achievements/Accomplishments 2004-05

- $\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$  Excel implemented an educational technology grant, successfully integrating technology into all areas of student studies.
- Ü Excel continued to improve student academic success thrugh implementation of school achievement goals, improved curriculum alignment, enhanced instructional practices, and expanded professional development opportunities.
- Ü Excel implemented a comprehensive school reform arts grant to support our efforts to integrate visual and media arts
- Ü Excel successfully launched an online learning program, Excel Everywhere, providing students with access to coursework from home.

# Student Activity Rates for School Year 2004-05

			Arizona	
	% School	% K-6/UE	% 7-8	% 9-12/US
Attendance Rate <sup>4</sup>	79	95	94	95
Transfers Out Rates	65	12	12	17
Transfers In Rate <sup>6</sup>	300	28	28	37
Stability Rate 7	34	87	87	82
Promotion Rate 8	46	96	95	81
Retention Rate 9	5	1	1	3
Dropout Rate 10	43	0	1	6
Status Unknown <sup>11</sup>	18	0	1	4
Graduation Rate <sup>12</sup>	30	NA	NA	79

NA = Graduation rate does not apply to K-8.

K-6/UE - Kindergarten to Grade 6 including Ungraded Elementary (UE).

9-12/US - 9th grade to 12th grade including Ungraded Secondary (US).

## School Safety

# School-level Efforts to Ensure a Safe and Healthy Learning Environment

As part of our Safe School Policy, we have been working to enhance security. Administrators work cooperatively with local police and fire departments. In addition, evacuation and emergency procedures are conducted on a regular basis.

Total number of incidents that occurred on the school grounds for school year 2004-05 that required the intervention of local, state or federal law enforcement (A.R.S.15-746.6):

0

The Arizona Attorney General's Office has a hotline that allows students to report suspicious activities at schools and to get help with potentially violent situations, such as bullying, harassment, hate crimes, discrimination and gangs. The toll-free number, 1-877-900-1086, is anonymous and available 24 hours a day.

The Arizona Department of Education does not audit the information submitted by each school.

# Contacts

	Name	Phone Number
School Site Council	Sharon Ackerman	(928) 634-2065
Transportation Policy	Sharon Ackerman	(928) 634-2065
Community Resources	Sharon Ackerman	(928) 634-2065
School Nutrition Programs	Sharon Ackerman	(928) 634-2065
Parent Organization	Sharon Ackerman	(928) 634-2065
Student Health/Nurse	Sharon Ackerman	(928) 634-2065

The Arizona School Report Card was prepared by the Arizona Department of Education using a standardized format to combine information provided by the local school with data compiled from state records. Each school has special strengths and needs, and all schools benefit from the active involvement of parents in their children's education. If you have questions about the report card or need more information, contact the school office. Arizona School Report Cards can be found for all schools at www.ade.az.gov/srcs on the Internet. "The Arizona Department of Education of the State of Arizona does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs, activities or in its hiring and employment practices. If you have questions or grievances related to this policy, please contact the Administrative Services DAS at (602) 542-3186."

#### **ACHIEVEMENT PROFILES**

Arizona's Achievement Profiles capture the performance level of every school.

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

Failing to Meet the Academic Standards - needs to meet state performance and state progress goals.

School performance has been designated as Underperforming for three consecutive years and a site review determined that the designation of Failing to Meet the Academic Standards was warranted.

Underperforming - needs to meet state performance and state progress goals.

Performing - meets state performance goals.

Performing Plus - above state performance goals, however the number of students exceeding the standard on the AIMS test is not sufficient to earn a highly performing or excelling label.

Highly Performing - above state performance goals or has demonstrated adequate improvement, in addition a significant number of students have exceeded the standard on the AIMS test.

Excelling - significantly above state performance goals, in addition a significant number of students have exceeded the standard on the AIMS test.

## TITLE I TERMS

#### Title I School Improvement Year 1

A Title I school that has not made adequate yearly progress (AYP) for two consecutive years. Upon identification, the school must: notify parents/legal guardians of the school status; develop and implement a School Improvement Plan within 90 days of the identification; set aside 10% of the schools Title I funds for professional development for teachers and the principal; the district must offer parents the option of transfer and support to the school in its school improvement efforts.

#### Title I School Improvement Year 2

A Title I school that has not made adequate yearly progress (AYP) for three consecutive years. Upon identification, the school must: notify parents/legal guardians of the school status; develop and implement a School Improvement Plan within 90 days of the identification; set aside 10% of the schools Title I funds for professional development for teachers and the principal; the district must offer parents the option of transfer and offer supplemental educational services to eligible students, and offer support to the school in its school improvement efforts.

Title I School Improvement Year 3 or Corrective Action

A Title I school that has not made adequate yearly progress (AYP) for four consecutive years. Upon identification, the school must: notify parents/legal guardians of the school status; develop and implement a School Improvement Plan within 90 days of the identification; set aside 10% of the schools Title I funds for professional development for teachers and the principal; the district must offer parents the option of transfer and offer supplemental educational services to eligible students, and offer support to the school in its school improvement efforts. In addition, the school must choose and implement at least one of six corrective actions. See Section 1116(b)(7) of NCLB for a list of the corrective action options.

Title I School Improvement Year 4 or Restructuring (Planning Phase)

A Title I school that has not made adequate yearly progress (AYP) for five consecutive years. Upon identification, the school must: notify parents/legal guardians of the school status; develop and implement a School Improvement Plan within 90 days of the identification; set aside 10% of the schools Title I funds for professional development for teachers and the principal; the district must offer parents the option of transfer and offer supplemental educational services to eligible students, and offer support to the school in its school improvement efforts. In addition, the school must prepare a restructuring plan and make necessary arrangements to carry out one of three restructuring activities. See Section 1116(b)(8) of NCLB for a list of the restructuring activities.

Title I School Improvement Year 5 or Restructuring (Implementation Phase)

A Title I school that has not made adequate yearly progress (AYP) for six consecutive years. Upon identification, the school must: notify parents/legal guardians of the school status; develop and implement a School Improvement Plan within 90 days of the identification; set aside 10% of the schools Title I funds for professional development for teachers and the principal; the district must offer parents the option of transfer and offer supplemental educational services to eligible students, and offer support to the school in its school improvement efforts. In addition, the school must prepare a restructuring plan and make necessary arrangements to carry out one of three restructuring activities. See Section 1116(b)(8) of NCLB for a list of the restructuring activities.

#### Footnotes

- 1 For an explanation of the Achievement Profiles, please visit our website at www.ade.az.gov/azlearns.
- 2 Under ARS 15-816, school district governing boards must implement open enrollment programs and establish policies covering admission criteria, application procedures and transportation provisions. For more information, contact the school district office.
- 3 Arizona's Instrument to Measure Standards (AIMS) includes the reading, writing and mathematics subject areas. The proficiency levels include: Falls Far Below (FFB) the standard, Approaches (A) the standard, Meets or Met (M) the standard and Exceeds (E) the standard. MSS = Mean Scaled Score. The federal law, No Child Left Behind, requires disaggregation in subgroups and ethnicity. NC= Not Calculated. Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), no individually identifiable references to students may be made. Therefore, items of data containing information about fewer than ten (10) students have been replaced with NC. For more information on testing and Arizona Academic Standards go to http://www.ade.az.gov/AIMS/default.asp
- 4 Attendance Rate: Percentage of students attending the first 100 days of the academic year.
- 5 Transfers Out: the rate at which students transfer out of a particular school relative to the school's original enrollment for a given school year.
- 6 Transfers In: the rate at which students transfer into a particular school relative to the school's original enrollment for a given school year.
- 7 Stability (s): the rate at which students starting the year at a particular school remain enrolled in that particular school until the end of a given school year.
- 8 Promotion Rate: Percentage of students promoted to the next grade or who met graduation requirements and received a traditional diploma at the end of the 2004-05 school year. Percentage includes students who left school at age 22 or who had completed school and received a non-traditional diploma.
- 9 Retention Rate: Percentage of students retained at the end of the 2004-05 school year.
- 10 Dropout Rate: Percentage of students counted as withdrawn due to chronic illness, expulsion or dropping out during the 2004-05 school year, to include activity during the summer of 2004. This rate includes students who were withdrawn after 10 consecutive days of unexcused absences or were coded by the school as "status unknown." The Promotion Rate, Retention Rate and Dropout Rate may not add to 100% due to the inclusion of summer activity in the Dropout Rate but not in the Promotion Rate and Retention Rate. For more information on the dropout rate study see our website at http://www.ade.az.gov/researchpolicy/DropoutInfo/
- 11 Annual Status Unknown: Percentage of students unaccounted for by any method during the 2004-05 school year. Annual status unknown students are not necessarily dropouts. For more information on status unknown, see our dropout rate study website at http://www.ade.az.gov/researchpolicy/DropoutInfo/
- 12 Graduation Rate: The graduation rate presented here is a 5 year cohort rate for the class of 2004. For more information on the Graduation Rate Study published by the ADE, please see our website at www.ade.az.gov/researchpolicy/grad.

Printed in Phoenix, Arizona, by the Arizona Department of Education. December 2005

Total cost of printing: 12 Pages X .0318 Per page X 89 Copies = \$34.00

- \*\* If total cost of printing = \$0.00, the school elected to only provide the electronic version of the report card.
- \*\* Due to booklet size printing, print copies are produced in multiples of 4.